



**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
ON TUESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2017 AT 2.30PM
AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: - Cllr Smith (Chairman), Cllr Blackwell, Cllr Frazer-Cann, Cllr Pugh and Cllr Geens.

IN ATTENDANCE: - No members of the public present.

1. Apologies: None
2. Declaration of Interests:
 1. Register of Interests: Councillors' were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
 2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) – None
 3. Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) – None.

No Questions for Public Question Time.

3. Minutes: The minutes of the Environment Committee of 23.01.17 having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record.
4. It was suggested the following wording should be used on the Rocky Interpretation Panels following historical information obtained by Cllrs Smith and Pugh:-

‘The Rocky was once the ornamental garden complete with lake of former Kempsey House. It was conveyed between Edwin James Dennis Jackson of Broomhall and Kempsey Parish Council on 27th January 1965 for the sum of £1000. At that time it was to be known as The Winslow Memorial Park. The Winslow Family were major landowners of Kerswell Green, Severn Stoke and Clerkenleap. Edward Winslow sailed as one of the Pilgrim Fathers on the Mayflower to America in 1620. The garden once included three fountains operated from a hydraulic pump and an ice house.’

Cllr Pugh to devise a map for the Interpretation Panel and Clerk to type and circulate the wording.

5. Recommendation: Three quotations have been received for work on Old Road South. A recommendation is to be taken to Parish Council meeting in February 2017.
6. Recommendation : To reallocate budgeted funds of £3K for 2016/17 for River Bank Clearance to purchase a fixed VAS Sign for the southern end of the village. The VAS sign will cost £2304.00 plus £290.00 to commission plus any installation costs.
7. Cllr Pugh updated the Committee on costs of white marker gates. After making enquiries he established this is a bespoke - made to order item. He will continue to obtain further quotes. He also referred to a traffic calming report where it was suggested to deter speeding motorists by not placing white lines in the centre of the road and to break up site views by tree planting. This is something to consider moving forward.
8. The Clerk confirmed she had liaised with the Environment Agency and permission was not required to sow red campion amongst the nettles located in the Rocky. Cllr Smith to purchase some seeds which she will sow.
9. Cllrs Geens and Fraser-Cann to attend a meeting with Anthony Perry from the Environment Agency on 23.02.17 at 10.00am to discuss Flooding in the Rocky.

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10 Any Other Business

Cllr Blackwell had made enquiries with a locksmith to fix the lock on the noticeboard located outside the community centre. He was quoted £60.00. He felt this was too expensive and would persevere with the lock the way it is. Likewise also for the noticeboard at Kerswell Green.

The Clerk referred an advert passed to her from Cllr Hanmer to raise awareness to pick up dog waste. The Committee felt it was a good idea to raise awareness. Cllr Pugh offered to revamp the advert to place in the Parish magazine.

Cllr Fraser- Cann to complete the Dog Control consultation by MHDC which closes on 26.02.17.

Cllr Geens reported an incident from a gentlemen walking from Kings Hill to the Yacht Club, with his dog. A bird scarer from a local farmer's field had sounded and scared and distressed the dog.

He was advised to liaise with the farmer. Cllr Smith to contact this gentlemen to enquire if he would consider the position of Footpath Warden.

Cllr Geens is to sort placing a link from the WCC website directing people to kempseyhub website.

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Meeting Closed 3.53 pm

Sharon Baxter

Clerk

Signed Chairman..... Date